

# A NEW DISCOVERY.

An Exhausted Murrysville Well Drilled Deeper.

NATURE GIVES RESPONSE.

Changing the Stuffed-Up Hole to a Producer of 700 Pounds.

IT SOLVES A PERPLEXING PROBLEM.

Description of the Immense Steel Pipe Line About to be Laid.

A BIG LINE TO TAP BELLE VERNON.

The Philadelphia Natural Gas Company yesterday accomplished what they regard as a great feat. It was nothing less than the successful revival of an old gas well at Murrysville. The well had been re-bored and completed shortly after noon at a depth of 1,200 feet. It came in with a pressure of 700 pounds, equal to that of the new well which was lately drilled in Belle Vernon. The old well was 1,350 feet deep, and it had gradually filled up with sand and pebbles, which caused a great decline in pressure. It was then that the company commenced an experiment upon drilling deeper for another vein of gas.

As a general thing similar attempts have usually proved unsuccessful. In some cases salt water was struck, but the gas was not. The Murrysville gas field is just as good as any in the world. When nitro glycerine was employed the whole well was shattered, and scarcely ever has a satisfactory result been accomplished.

SAID TO BE IMPORTANT. "On this account," said a gentleman connected with the Philadelphia Company yesterday, "this is of great importance. It proves that the old story about gas giving out and declining wells being worthless is simply a fable. The Murrysville gas field is just as good as any in the world. When nitro glycerine was employed the whole well was shattered, and scarcely ever has a satisfactory result been accomplished."

THE FIRST STEEL TUBE. "To give a proper idea of this steel pipe, which is the first one that has ever been used for a similar purpose, a detailed description might be interesting. It is a pipe of 30 inches long, and it takes 2,000 tons of one-fourth inch steel to manufacture it. Cast iron pipes are composed of 12-20 sections, while the sections of this pipe will be 24 feet long. This fact explains why it is that a great deal of labor is saved, because it takes about as many men to lay a 24-foot section into a trench as it would take to place a 12-foot section."

"But it is claimed that on account of the riveting work, which can be done in any way, and will therefore not be so serviceable as an iron pipe?" "That is a mistake. Rivets are made out of steel. They are riveted, and I should think that a leak in a boiler is as likely to occur at a leak in one of the sections of the gas line. Each section is similar in appearance and construction to a boiler, and there is no doubt that it will do as good service."

The Philadelphia Company is now laying the line at the rate of 500 feet a day. It was also learned at the office of the Philadelphia Company that it has now been definitely decided to lay a new line from Belle Vernon. The work on that line, however, will not be commenced until the summer. The new line will be 12 inches in diameter, and will be laid in a trench 3 feet deep, and will be covered with a layer of earth 12 inches thick.

NATURAL GAS SUMMERS. It was reported yesterday that Oliver Bros. & Phillips, of Philadelphia, had been ordered to cut loose from the Philadelphia Natural Gas Company and pipe their own gas. Mr. H. W. Oliver, Jr., the senior member of the firm of Oliver Bros. & Phillips, was seen by a DISPATCH reporter, but he declined to talk on the subject. He said he would neither affirm nor deny any reports.

It is also stated that the Jefferson Natural Gas Company, of Jefferson, Pa., is now laying a line at the rate of 500 feet a day. It was also learned at the office of the Philadelphia Company that it has now been definitely decided to lay a new line from Belle Vernon. The work on that line, however, will not be commenced until the summer. The new line will be 12 inches in diameter, and will be laid in a trench 3 feet deep, and will be covered with a layer of earth 12 inches thick.

THE PROTESTANT HOME FOR INCURABLES HAD A RECEPTION YESTERDAY. The annual reception at the Protestant Home for Incapacitated, in Lawrenceville, took place yesterday. About 1,000 people were there during the afternoon, and the rooms which are generally set apart to receive the presents and donations that are usually so liberally tendered to the institution were filled to their utmost capacity. This year the gifts were extraordinarily rich. Large baskets and hamper of all kinds of useful articles for the inmates, and checks of very respectable amounts, had found their way into the place, and there was no air of general rejoicing manifest among all who are interested in the success and welfare of the institution.

The inmates are at present only composed of females, but the residence formerly occupied by Miss Holmes is now being altered for the accommodation of men also, and in a short time the male department will be ready to receive patients.

IMPROPER COMPANIONS. Father Smith Warns Mothers to Guard Their Daughters. Rev. Father Smith, one of the Pastoral Fathers, preached an eloquent and sensational sermon in St. Paul's Cathedral last evening. There were none but women present, although the sermon was especially directed to the young girls of the congregation.

The reverend gentleman denounced all young girls who went to round dances, and especially those who went without escorts. He was especially severe in his denunciation of those who stood on street corners talking to men. He also took a turn at those who sat alone in rooms with "their best young man." He warned mothers and fathers to prevent their daughters from going to the dances, and he said that he would not associate with improper young men. He said that he would not associate with those who were in the same room with their daughters when young men called to see the latter.

# NOTES AND NOTIONS.

Many Matters of Much and Little Moment Have Been Treated.

PLEASENT SHOWERS, if one has an umbrella. DISTRICT ATTORNEY PORTER went East last night.

R. R. HAYES got lost in New York. The wonder is he was ever found.

He is an unlucky fisherman who catches nothing but a cold and a scold.

No wonder the heavens weep, the Allies were swept away, and by the baby of the family.

MISS MADRID never went back to first principles when she said her shoes were monkey.

BLESSING is he that can by any means call a smile to the face that is too familiar with tears.

JOHN TRAGGERS, of Allentown, was found \$5 and costs for keeping his shop open on Sunday.

BOULANGER threatens to write a religious novel. It will probably treat of the flight into Egypt.

CHIEF TALKERS have ruined the rushing trotter business, and the check has been sent to the bank.

An ingot fell on George McElwain's foot at Carnegie's Thirty-third street mill and crushed the bone.

THE CITY OF PARIS is going to be the fastest ocean steamer this summer. This is as it should be.

DO NOT GO around telling people what you are not doing to. You may not do it and explanations are always awkward.

MISS KANE was severely burned by an explosion of "cigars" at the Lucy Farmer. He is 10 years old and married.

THIRTY-ONE OTHERS were admitted and 20 new names proposed at the monthly meeting of the Tarriff Club last night.

THEY say politeness costs nothing, but it costs a great deal more to a woman to kiss another who wears a handsome bonnet.

THE small boy made a lively for two organ grinders who were playing in front of the Hotel. He finally locked up the musicians.

A PORTION of the breeches worn by the members of the Central Trades Council were found to be made of the same material as the Central Trades Council's.

JOHN KEARNS had an arm broken while coupling cars in the Pittsburgh, Virginia and Chesapeake Railroad yards on the Schuylkill yesterday.

MRS. KLINE, a weak-minded old lady, was denied by her daughter's house at 34 Spring alley, yesterday, and has not yet been heard from.

SCRAPE a sarcastic person and you will find an egotist. Scratch an egotist and you will find a fool. Scratch a fool and you will find nothing.

IT is said the drivers of ice wagons are nearly all suffering with rheumatism. This probably explains why they carry such a small piece of ice to the door.

WILLIAM ENGLE, a laborer at the Linden Steel Works, had his face badly burned by a flash of natural gas from one of the furnaces yesterday afternoon.

BELVA LOCKWOOD says in 25 years a woman will be President of this great country. What will be the first thing that will be to pass as the first man of the land.

THE bids for the proposed Power Hall for the Exposition were considered yesterday. They were all in excess of \$200,000, and the winning bid was \$250,000.

THEY are wise who avoid the fashionable steamers with their sardine packing, for more modest lines with greater freedom and comfort, during the mad rush for Europe.

A DOUBLE set of new harness was stolen from Stelshausen's store in the East End yesterday. The harness was valued at \$100.

CHARLES E. MILLER, head clerk at the Monaca House, left last night with a woman in his arms, and was arrested with the woman in his possession.

# A PUBLIC INQUIRY.

Is Desired by Window Glass Workers' Officials in the Matter of THOSE ENGLISH GLASS BLOWERS.

Persons Found Guilty of Violating the Law Are to be Prosecuted.

THE REPORT OF SECRETARY DILLON.

The arrival of the Jeanette window glass blowers, who are alleged to have been brought here under contract, has caused quite a stir in labor circles. All organizations set on foot to have the matter investigated, and if the law has been violated in any way to punish the guilty persons. It has been stated that the first lot of men, 26 in number, destined for Jeanette, came here by order of President Campbell, as they could not cross the water and secure passage unless they held traveling cards issued by the Window Glass Workers' Association. It was also stated that any preceptor could issue the necessary cards and that this had been done.

President Campbell is absent from the city, but before his departure, as stated in this paper, he admitted the matter and we are willing to submit to the law. He denied, however, that any law had been violated. The importation, or arrival, of more foreign glass workers who are now at Jeanette has stirred the matter up again, and the Central Trades Council of Western Pennsylvania has begun an investigation, as stated yesterday.

Some very damaging reports are being circulated among the workmen and secure attention and the employers. It is said that the intention is to eventually make the Jeanette establishments non-union factories. The "Window Glass Workers' Association" is in a very emphatic terms that they have violated any law, and demand a public inquisition, as the following from the Secretary indicates:

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 2. To Trades Council of Western Pennsylvania: Gentlemen—Under the resolution passed at a regular meeting of the A. F. W. U. on April 18, 1889, in answer to your communication I have the honor to inform you that J. M. Kelley, editor of the Commoner and Glass Worker, is authorized in our behalf to state in relation to the alleged importation of foreign glass workers by the officers and members of this assembly, that we are willing to submit to the law and to the action of the courts in the matter.

First—That the Jeanette establishment at the hall of A. F. W. U. 300, 301 and 302, at such time as may suit both parties.

Second—That the investigation be open and that the reporters of the daily press be present.

Third—That every witness examined shall be placed under oath.

Fourth—That the case be tried by a court of five men, two to be chosen by the Executive Board of the Central Trades Council, and two by the A. F. W. U., the four to select the fifth man of the land.

Fifth—If any officer of the A. F. W. U. is found guilty of aiding in the violation of the law, he will be expelled from the A. F. W. U. and his name will be placed on a list of persons who are guilty of aiding in the violation of the law.

THE United States Commissioner against said foreign workers, and the Central Trades Council pledges itself to make public retraction of the charges against them. Respectfully yours, G. L. OAKS, Secretary.

SECRETARY DILLON'S REPORT.

The Flint Glass Trade Remarkably Good and Not Few Furnaces are Idle.

Secretary Dillon, of the American Flint Glass Workers' Union, yesterday issued his quarterly report to the local unions. The financial condition is very satisfactory, and shows that the organization is flourishing.

The receipts for the quarter ending March 31 amounted to \$27,408, and the total receipts for the three quarters of the fiscal year were \$81,438. There is no doubt but that by the time of the summer stoppage the yearly receipts will amount to over \$100,000.

The report says that the wonderful recuperative power of the American flint glass workers after the extensive loss of employment, and that the members look upon this as a profitable investment. The annual average for each member was \$1.25, and the total for the year was \$125,000.

There is less than 10 per cent of the membership, however, who are not working. The very few who are not working are those who are in the process of being retrained, and who are not yet able to work.

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# NOT A GENERAL STRIKE.

Only the Stone Masons and a Few Head Carriers Are Now Idle.

The strike in the building trades was not as general as was expected. All the carpenters are at work, their terms having been conceded by their employers, but the stone masons are out. Some of the head carriers are also idle, but it is believed the trouble will be settled within the next few days.

Contractor E. A. Knox, who is putting up the new buildings on the site of the Willey disaster, at Wood and Diamond streets, said yesterday that not more than 400 stone masons are out in the country. He added:

"Our work has not been stopped, for we put apprentices to work, and are compensating them for the loss of their regular work. We are advancing the matter, and we think we will be able to get the strike settled within the next few days. The building this spring will not be retarded by the strike, as the masons are now at work."

All the large buildings in course of erection are now going up as usual, and the strike, if it can be called a strike, will not seriously affect any of the work.

Contractor G. G. Dixon says there is no strike on any of the jobs that he has and that the main trouble seems to be with the stone masons. He says that a few head carriers are out, but that the rest are at work.

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# A DANCE OF DAISIES.

Happy Children Present Beautiful Pictures in Old City Hall.

FANCY WALTZES WELL PERFORMED.

It Was Given for Charity and Aids the Helping Hand Society.

A BRILLIANT DISPLAY OF COSTUMES.

Old City Hall never was more crowded by social society people than last night. Mr. McCallister wasn't there, but the consistent Pittsburgh "400" was assembled to aid the "Helping Hand" Society in its benefit for the working girls.

Celebrating a "May Day in Merrie England" was the order of the evening, and the young participants gave a most pleasing imitation of the way things are done by the festive girls and boys, subjects of "Victoria."

The different committees were composed of most all the prominent society people in the city, and their children entertained the audience by very graceful dancing and picturesque costumes. The officers in charge of the affair were: President, Miss Kate McKnight; Vice President, Miss Caroline Adams; Secretary, Miss C. L. Wilson.

BUTTERSCOTS AND DAISIES. Under the direct training of Mrs. Slack and her assistants, the children of the "Helping Hand" Society, dressed themselves like so many fairies, and the richness of their costumes, regardless of expense, made the event a superb "burlesque."

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# SLAUGHTER OF SPARROWS.

A Curious Attack on the Troublesome Birds Out at the Arsenal—Hundreds of Birds Destroyed in a Few Moments.

The English sparrow, though not so destructive in the United States as the English rabbit has proven itself to be in Australia, appears to be a nuisance pest to give the lovers of song birds and cleanliness much uneasiness. Almost every resident of the suburbs who has eyes to see has a complaint to file against the importation in regard to its having driven away a favorite pair of robins or committed some depredation on the lawn.

Some people who own fine houses have come to the conclusion that the sparrow must be exterminated, or at least driven away from the premises. The English sparrow, though not so destructive in the United States as the English rabbit has proven itself to be in Australia, appears to be a nuisance pest to give the lovers of song birds and cleanliness much uneasiness. Almost every resident of the suburbs who has eyes to see has a complaint to file against the importation in regard to its having driven away a favorite pair of robins or committed some depredation on the lawn.

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